

EUGENIC MARRIAGE A DISMAL FAILURE, SAYS DR. WEBER

No Children, Says Wife, Unless Her Father Will Support Them.

SLAPPED HER FACE.

Now Mrs. Weber Sues for Separation and the Facts Are Disclosed.

The filing of a separation suit in the Supreme Court before Justice Shearn to-day by Mrs. Anna E. Weber against Dr. Charles E. Weber, a young physician and surgeon of No. 4 Stuyvesant Avenue, Brooklyn, disclosed that at least one real eugenic marriage has failed. A "platonic" as Dr. Weber called his spouse, she is all right in theory, but in practice, he declared, she is a dismal failure.

Mrs. Weber, so her husband told the Court, refused to bear him children. Upon that eugenic principle the couple split. It was not because Mrs. Weber did not want children, but rather because she adhered to the eugenic rule that it was not right to bring children into the world until the parents were prepared properly to support them. As Dr. Weber is a young physician just establishing himself in practice his wife believed, he explained to the Court, that it would be better for them to live as platonic friends until he rose higher in his profession.

The differences between the couple over these eugenic problems became so critical that Mrs. Weber, according to her husband, expressed a willingness to have children if her wealthy father would support them. When she made that proposition to her father, who had not failed in eugenics, Dr. Weber told the court, he gave her an old-fashioned slap on the face. She wanted her father to give her a written guarantee that he would support her children, because, she explained, she had no faith in the word of a man.

When the couple separated as a result of their divergent views, Dr. Weber believed that, later on, his wife would discard eugenics and return to him. To that end, he told the Court, he signed separation papers, agreeing to support her, and a clause was inserted binding them both to live with each other when Mrs. Weber had outgrown her eugenic ideas. This agreement was not a success. Finally Dr. Weber wrote this letter to his wife:

My Dear Woman:
I have long realized my share of guilt in the matter even before I went with you to the license bureau. I hold the man guilty in any relation between man and woman that turns out badly. I had no right to love you as I did. From the standpoint of eugenics I did you an immense damage which only time and a clean life will repair. Let us reason a bit. Had you come to me as a woman, I would have been glad to give you the desire of being mine. I would have been glad to give you the only way. This is the sort of love a woman must have for a man whose wife she wants to be. You could not do that.

You never had you never will have that the confidence of a woman should have. Under these circumstances had I deceived you myself and burdened you with me for the rest of your life would I be doing justice to you? I would absolutely have no respect, no consideration—you would be a sort of human leech in my mind. On the other hand you would look upon me constantly with mistrustful eyes always in fear. That would be a veritable hell.

Now, then, granted that for us to be husband and wife is an impossibility under the present circumstances, any act of goodness I do for you will bring you more harm than good. I would do you much more damage as it would not free your mind.

Your best years of your life are spent in endless, stupid expectation and pain of body and soul. Why? You are a young woman in every way suitable to meet any good man whose wife you may wish to be.

Supposing I did make you perfectly comfortable and you meet a man whose wife you might want to be, would he continue his attentions if he learned the truth? What respect would he have for you later in life? Now, would I be doing right in making you comfortable. Can't you see that the longer I am helping you, the longer I am a menace to you.

Of course you have a way of answering this—the easiest way for a woman who knows little of right or wrong. Wishing you the best and hoping that the grim future may be of better help to you than I with all my thinking, I am,

YOUR ONE WHO DOES NOT KNOW.

ACTOR WELFORD FINED.

Caused a Disturbance at James K. Hackett's Home.

Dallas Welford, the English actor, who disturbed the peace of actor James K. Hackett last night while the latter was giving a party at his home, No. 56-58 West Seventy-first Street, by shouting for him to come out with \$50,000 he owed him or be beaten up, was fined \$10 this morning by Magistrate Deuel in the West Side Police Court. Mr. Hackett says he doesn't owe the actor any money at all.

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